

CANNON NEWS

Francis Cannon VFW Post 7589
Manassas, Virginia
June 2021



ALEX BLIEM / POST 7589

Tina Bliem, Ron Knowles and Lou Filippone with the Freedom Museum's Ambulance which was present at the May 22 flag retirement ceremony

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Commander's Message



Wayne Moore

Recruiting '21 Dilemma

As we close out the 2020-2021 membership year and head to the Department Summer Conference June 3-6, our recruiting woes will be topic du jour. While Post 7589 is not alone in this plight, Covid 19 curtailed most activities for sound recruiting.

As the community opens, I urge a renewed effort and commitment to increasing our fold. The quartermaster has all the statistics on where we are versus where we should be. I chose not to lament the numbers we all know and the reason why.

However, I will share with you the Department's position and expectations on recruiting. While the information may be stale, it does indicate a need for a year-long full court press rather than a year-end scramble.

"Today we will drop below 800 on our way to 100%. We still need to average 22 a day to slide in under the deadline. This message goes out to over 400 members; if we all get 2 members between now and June 3rd, we can go to our State Convention as an All-American Department. It doesn't sound so difficult, does it. We have Memorial Day Weekend coming up, it should be a Poppy/Membership Drive weekend for every Post in the State. I encourage all Post Commanders to call any unpaid and see if the Covid virus has left them in financial difficulty; if so, use some Relief Fund money to help them out. Members of the State Team have worked with District 6 and District 2 the past 2 weekends. District 6 signed up 14 new, and 1 instate transfer, only 13 processed at National, District 2 worked the unpaid list and renewed or reinstated 13 members. Great work by both Districts, we should be doing something like this in every District every weekend until we reach our goal of 100%."

Tom Hines PDC
Membership Team

As we begin the 2021-2022 season, I humbly ask that we keep recruiting/renewing at the forefront.

I offer my sincere condolences to anyone who may have lost a family member or loved one during the stay-at-home mandate. Please don't hesitate to reach out, current member or not.

Auxiliary President



Mary Corkhill



In the United States, Flag Day is celebrated on June 14. It commemorates the adoption of the flag of

the United States on June 14, 1777, by resolution of the Second Continental Congress. The Flag Resolution, passed on June 14, 1777, stated: "Resolved, that the flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white;

that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation." Since the adoption, the American flag has become a symbol of freedom, endurance, and patriotism recognized around the globe. Hang a flag inside or outside of your home to commemorate Flag Day.



The nation's first Father's Day was celebrated on June 19, 1910, in the state of Washington. However, it was not until 1972, 58 years after President Woodrow Wilson made Mother's Day official, that the day honoring fathers became a nationwide

holiday in the United States. It celebrates the contribution that fathers and father figures make for their children's lives. Father's Day 2021 will occur on Sunday, June 20th.



On Sunday, June 20th, summer is finally here! That's the day to take advantage of the warm weather and extra-long daylight. So ring in the season with a few cocktails al fresco, a fresh summer salad and a fun outdoor activity.

On April 29, the VFW announced that the coronavirus pandemic has made it impossible to hold the 2021 VFW and VFW Auxiliary National Conventions at the Baltimore Convention Center in Baltimore, MD, July 31-August 5, 2021, as originally planned. On Thursday, May 6, the VFW National Council of Administration voted on and approved the decision to hold a **business only**, VFW National Convention in Kansas City, MO. **As a result, the National Conventions will take place July 31-August 3, 2021.**

There are three restaurants in the area that will be assisting the VFW Auxiliary in a fundraiser. In order for the VFW Auxiliary to get credit from the proceeds of sales at the time of the fundraiser, you **MUST** present a coupon when you order. Two of the three coupons are at the end of this newsletter.

- ⇒ Buffalo Wild Wings on June 17th, at 5143 Wellington Rd., Gainesville, VA (5pm - 9pm)
- ⇒ Foster's Grille on June 22nd, at 10266 Bristow Center Drive, Bristow, VA (11am - 9pm / All Day)

(See *Auxiliary* on page 10)

June 7 Post meeting video teleconference.

Meeting starts at 7:30PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86028767140?pwd=NDFIeVpJVkorL3JDUlFUOE4rZzdSQOT09>

Passcode: 067589

VFW Members Only Please

VFW Post 7589, General Membership Meeting Agenda — June 7, 2021

- *OD: Verification of Membership
- *Salute the Colors.
- *Chaplain: Opening Prayer
- *OD: POW/MIA Chair
- *Salute the Colors.
- *OD: N/A
- *Chaplain: N/A
- *SVC: Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Adjutant: Roll Call of Officers

Commander Wayne Moore	Surgeon Alex Bliem
SVC Lou Filippone	Chaplain Ron Knowles
JVC Bob Knight	Historian Paul Chase
QM Rick Raskin	OD Kelly Williams
Adjutant Ron Link	Trustee 1 Pete MacLeod
Service Officer Ron Link	Trustee 2 Dave Mattingly
Advocate Bob Knight	Trustee 3 Tina Bliem

- Communications:**
- Applications for Membership:**
- Reading of the Minutes:**
- Quartermaster’s Report:**
- Service Officer’s Report:**
- Chaplain’s Report:**
- Reports from Committees:**
- *Bingo:**
- *Youth: SV/Chairman Filippone**

- *MAP:**
- *Americanism:**
- *Legislative Committee:** Read comments/info in our monthly newsletter.
- *Commander’s Report:**
- * Dept Summer Convention June 3-6
- * National Commander recognition of Post 7589 upcoming 75th birthday
- * District 8 new elected officers
- *National Convention Cancelled
- Old Business:**
- *Unfinished Business:**
- * Upcoming District nomination/election of officers 2021-2022
- *New Business:**
- *Memorial Day Activities
- *Post 7589 75th Birthday activities June
- *Installation of officers for the 2021-2022 year
- *Other New Business:**

*Exec Board met and made a determination on two issues. (1) Presented Auxiliary member Jen \$100 gift card for outstanding support to VOD, PP. (2) Donated \$250 to South County Middle School making and distributing Fleece Blankets to Veterans to include Honor Flight Vets.

***Good of the Order**

*Much is written/discuss about SCAMs, however, there’s not shortage of efforts. NEW fake stimulus payment checks, it can take weeks for the bank to confirm a bad check once it’s deposited and you June be out the amount of the check and any money sent to the scammer. If you spot any of these warning signs, don’t deposit the check:



A prospective buyer sends you a check for more than your asking price “by mistake” and wants the overage back



You receive your first check for a new work-from-home job, and the “employer” asks you to send some money back right away for supplies



You receive a check for sweepstakes winnings that can only be claimed by sending some money back to cover taxes

Safety Lesson:

*Take Breaks to Keep Your Conditions: Continuous working makes your stamina goes weak. You will also lose your focus, that could cause serious problem/accident.

***Closing Ceremonies Prayers: Chaplain**

***Salute the Colors: Commander**

***Adjournment:**

Next General Membership Meeting: Monday, July 12, 2021, at 7:30 pm

Youth Committee Update



Lou Filippone

The Youth Committee hopes all of you are well and engaging in normal activities as the Pandemic passes and our nation recovers. We held our last meeting on Thursday, 20 May at 7:00 PM by Zoom and the participants included Alex and Tina Bliem, Peter MacLeod and myself. The month of May was fairly busy and I would like to update you on our most recent activities.

Alex Bliem mentions the Scouts have been working towards their physical fitness merit badges and recently completed their yearly planning meeting last Sunday. Alex also reports the Scouts have a shooting camping trip next month where they can work on rifle and shotgun merit badges. They also have a daylong kayaking trip planned. Last Sunday the Scouts held their swim test with lots of Scouts and adults participating in preparation for summer camp and also for the week long kayak trip, both in July. The most notable activity in May conducted by the Scouts would have to be the Joint Post 7589-Troop 1372 flag retirement ceremony held at the Post on Saturday, 22 May. It was a make-up date for the original 1 May ceremony which had to be rescheduled because of high winds. It was well attended and quite successful. Tina Bliem reports that a total of 62 individuals participated in the event, to include eight VFW members and one VFW Auxiliary member, 28 Scouts, 15 Scout Leaders and 10 Quests. Six Scout Troops and three Cub Scout Packs were present. The Scout Troops were Troop 1372B, Troop 1372 G, Troop 30, Troop 670, Troop 1995 and Troop 2011. The Cub Scouts were from Pack 1372, 1355 and 1831. The weather was warm but clear and the event went smoothly without incident. Comrade Peter MacLeod took care of the Police Department authorization and I contacted and received permission from the City of Manassas Volunteer Fire Department. From all our estimates approximately 350 flags, or four barrels full were retired. We concluded the ceremony once all the flags were retired at about 11:00 and spent the last forty or so minutes cleaning up and closing down the event. I would like to give a big thank you to all those who participated, including the great members of the Youth Committee who make it happen, namely Alex and Tina Bliem, and Peter MacLeod.

The Civil Air Patrol, Prince William Composite Squadron from Manassas, Virginia recently held their annual award ceremony virtually and our Post was invited to attend. I presented two Cadet Awards that evening. The VFW NCO award went to CMSGT Vishvajit Senthilkumar and the Officer award was presented to C1st Lt Chris E. Pewett.

As far as JROTC programs we participate with and recognize, I am pleased to report that all three of our regular schools included us in their award ceremonies. Battlefield High School began the awards season for us. The Cadet recognized was Cadet Airman Shayne Cordell. His instructors said this first year cadet has a positive attitude and conduct. Unity Reed High School, formerly Stonewall Jackson, held their ceremony on 13 May. Cadet

Ashley Corrado Rivas won the VFW award for her program. She is currently a flight commander and Drill Team Leader. Osbourn Park High School was the most recent award ceremony held on 27 May with the award going to Cadet John Petro, a rising senior, who made a great contribution to the unit's Navy Nationals competition. All of these cadets received a VFW certificate, medal and ribbon from VFW Post 7589. All awards were presented at virtual ceremonies due to the pandemic.

During the Memorial Day weekend both the VFW and the Youth Committee will be extremely busy with Memorial Day activities. Scouts from Troop 1372, 670 and 30 and Cub Scouts from Packs 1355 and 1372 will be involved in flag placement for veterans at the city of Manassas cemetery on Monday, 31 May. In addition a wreath presentation and memorial service will be held at the gravesite of World War II Veteran PFC Francis H. Cannon who is our Post's namesake.

As we enter the summer months the VFW activities relax a bit, enabling us to pause and catch our breath before the resumption of our regularly hectic schedule in the fall. Please take advantage of this beautiful season and consider joining the Youth Committee during or after the summer. The work is challenging but rewarding because our mission of mentoring America's youth and instilling patriotism is so very important. We hope you'll join us at the next meeting. It will be held on Thursday, 17 June 2021 at 7:00 PM via Zoom. If we revert back to a physical format an announcement will be released. In the meantime please stay safe and healthy.

With best regards,

Lou Filippone
Youth Committee Chair

Orthodontic assistant needed

Compensation: **Entry level**

Employment type: **full-time**

ENTRY LEVEL orthodontic assistant. We prefer no experience so we can train you to our standards. Entry level position with entry level pay. We are looking for a quick learner who likes to work as part of a team. Must be reliable, well spoken, have good communication skills and like working with people. If interested, please reply with salary requirement and resume. Responses without salary requirement and resume will not be reviewed. If you are interested in the field of orthodontic assisting and possess the qualities we have listed this might be a great opportunity. You can either call the office at (703)815-0127 or email us at

orthoforyou@aol.com. We look forward to your response.

City requests property easement donation for Quarry Road project

9304 Centreville Road-Tax Map#: 100/05/04/5
Easement Donation Quarry Street Streetscape Improvements
City: Manassas

Dear Property Owner(s),

The City of Manassas ("CITY") is preparing for the upcoming construction of the above referenced project and has contracted with Rinker Design Associates, P.C., consultants for the CITY, to acquire the necessary easements. These easements will allow the CITY to provide streetscape improvements along Quarry Street as part of this locally administered project. Plans indicate that your property will be affected by these easements.

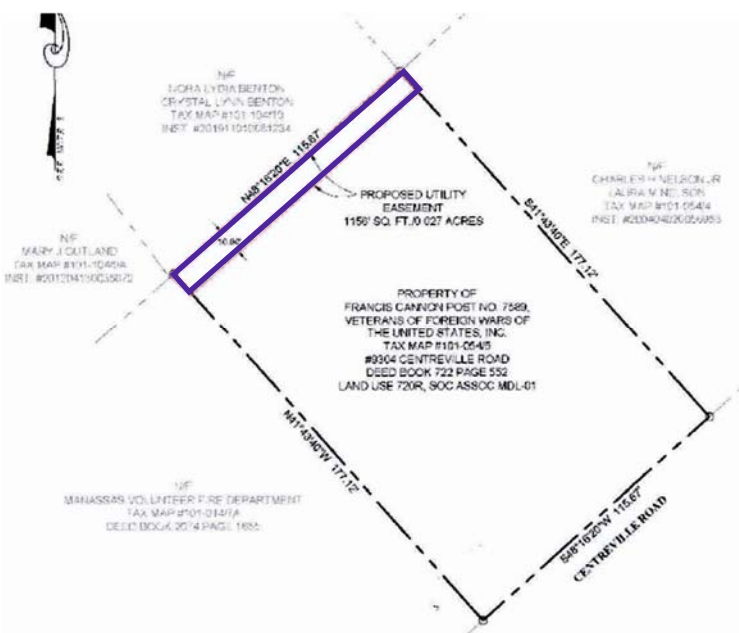
The enclosed plat identifies the easement required for this project. As shown on the plat, the easement is highlighted in the following color: Pink, showing the area of permanent utility easement.

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 25.1-41 7(A) (I 0), you are entitled to be compensated by the CITY for this easement and are under no legal obligation to donate it to the CITY. The CITY is, however, requesting a donation of the easement since this project, when completed, may result in an improvement or benefit to your property. If you are willing to donate the easement without the payment of compensation, please complete the enclosed Donation Acknowledgment form.

The CITY is also required to make a determination of the value of the proposed easement and to provide you with a written copy of that determination. In addition to the requested donation of the easement, we are asking that you consider waiving the requirement for the City to prepare a valuation of the easement. You can indicate on the attached Acknowledgment form whether you waive the right to receive the City's written determination of value.

Sincerely,

Nyika Roberson-Ramos, PE, Senior Engineer
City of Manassas



Our lot is 20,487.47 square feet. The City requests we donate 1156 square feet, which comprises 5.64% of our existing property.

The City values our land at \$636,500.

The donation would therefore be worth \approx \$35,900, which would be recorded as a gift in kind for reporting purposes.

The City's proposal will be considered at the June 7 general membership meeting.

Over 350 flags retired on May 22 59 people attended the event including Scouts, VFW members and Guests

Photos by ALEX BLIEM / POST 7589



National Sgt at Arms Bryan P. O'Brien



We are saddened to hear about the passing of Bryan P. O'Brien, VFW National Sgt. of Arms, Past Department of Massachusetts Officer, and beloved Comrade.

We honor his courage, his selfless service and we extend our deepest sympathy to his wife Patricia, his family, and friends, as we hold them firmly in our hearts and pray-ers during this difficult time.

122nd VFW National Convention

The VFW National Council of Administration voted on and approved the decision to execute a business only, 122nd VFW National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri.

The vote came just one week after the VFW announced the impossibility of the event taking place at the Baltimore Convention Center in Maryland as originally planned, due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The 122nd VFW National Convention will take place July 31 – August 3, 2021.

This remains a fluid situation and more information, to include housing specifics will be made available as details are confirmed. The VFW thanks everyone for their patience and flexibility as together we work to navigate these challenging times.

Please check back for updates as they are available.

Baltimore Housing Reservation Cancellation Information

Anyone who made room reservations directly through VFW Housing will automatically have their reservation cancelled, but any members who made *room reservations independently will need to call their hotel and cancel their reservation. No fees (first night deposits) have been charged to credit cards. **No action is required on your part.**

If you booked a hospitality suite, please contact your hotel directly.

* If you made a hotel reservation at a hotel outside of the VFW room blocks (official VFW hotels: Hilton, Hyatt, Marriott, Sheraton, Renaissance) you will need to call the hotel you directly made the reservation with and cancel that reservation yourself.

Blue Water Navy - Update

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announced it will re-adjudicate claims for Veterans who served in the offshore waters of the Republic of Vietnam during the Vietnam War.

This review is part of the Veterans Benefits Administration's implementation of the November 5, 2020, U.S. District Court of the Northern District of California decision to re-adjudicate previously denied claims as applied in *Nehmer vs. U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs*.

Veterans who were previously denied service connection for an herbicide related presumptive condition due to lack of in-country Vietnam service will automatically have their claims re-adjudicated.

Re-adjudication means VA will review the evidence of record and provide replacement decisions in the cases of Veterans who were previously denied service connection for one or more herbicide related conditions on the basis that military service was not performed on the landmass of the Republic of Vietnam or on its inland waterways. This review will also apply to eligible survivors of deceased Vietnam era Veterans. VA is dedicated to ensuring all Veterans receive the benefits they have earned.

VA ensures that we have the proper resources in place to meet the needs of the Veteran community. Eligible survivors of deceased Veterans may also benefit from the policy and may be eligible for benefits based on the Veterans' service.

Veterans who have a condition caused by herbicide exposure during military service can learn more about Agent Orange exposure at:

<https://www.va.gov/disability/eligibility/hazardous-materials-exposure/agent-orange/>

VA national cemeteries no longer restricting gathering sizes at committal and memorial services

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) National Cemetery Administration (NCA) today announced it would lift all restrictions on gathering sizes at committal and memorial services in VA national cemeteries starting on Wednesday, May 26, 2021. Earlier this week, the NCA announced it had adjusted its rules for visitors and staff members in accordance with the CDC's new guidance, Interim Public Health Recommendations for Fully Vaccinated People. Fully vaccinated persons are no longer required to wear masks and physically distance themselves while at a national cemetery.

Consistent with the new CDC guidance, NCA still requires persons who are not fully vaccinated to practice the safety procedures recommended by the CDC – such as wearing face coverings and maintaining physical distancing – while visiting a cemetery or attending a service.

For more information, please visit the NCA website, <https://www.cem.va.gov> or contact your local national cemetery.

SGT Nicholas C. Mason VFW Post 12202 opens in King George

By Ken Wiseman, Past State Commander
Photos by Rick Raskin

On a sunny Saturday afternoon that also marked the first day of May, 33 veterans raised their right hand and became chartering members of the VFW Virginia's newest Post, the SGT Nicholas C. Mason Memorial VFW Post 12202 in King George County. With Past State Commander Ken Wiseman as the Master of Ceremonies and State Commander Eric Mallett serving as the installing officer, it was a day few will forget.

Commemorating the memory and legacy of beloved native Nick Mason, who was killed in Iraq in 2004 while serving with C Company, 276th Engineering Battalion, Virginia Army National Guard, elected officials and members of the community joined the VFW in opening the Post with pomp fitting for such an occasion. SGT Mason's parents and sister were the distinguished guests for the event that saw nearly 100 people assemble at King George High School where Nick had been a star athlete.

Past State Commander Wiseman gave the keynote address and encouraged the members of the Post to hold their officers to the same standards that Nick Mason lived his life and to take the opening of the Post as "a blank canvas allowing you to do so many things".

State Commander Mallett noted that there has not been such a large group installed nor has Virginia ever seen a Post come together this fast. "It is amazing what you were able to do with social media and local connections to overcome the COVID pandemic and deliver a new Post" Mallett said.

SGT Mason's mom presented the Post with American flags that had been flown over her son's grave earlier that morning. Nick's mom and dad both commented on how proud they were to see another effort to commemorate their son. They ended their comments by saying they looked forward to becoming members of the Auxiliary which will soon open and be part of the Post.

Also in attendance was Nick's then-platoon leader, Beau Mason, who is now a Lieutenant Colonel in the Virginia Army National Guard. "Nick was the kind of soldier everyone could respect for his service but also the one who was just fun to be around, which is to say he also was a joker" LTC Mason said, causing the crowd to laugh. He added "I have spent hours with Nick's family trading stories about the things he did and I look forward to being a member of a Post named after Nick."

While the Post is only just starting, the fact was clear that this Post will fit very well within the King George County community and the VFW as a whole. With the namesake of SGT Nicholas C. Mason, the beloved local boy who served with honor, there is only positivity that lies ahead for them.

Department Commander, Eric Mallett presents the Post with a National Commander's certificate of recognition to the newest Post Commander of the Department of Virginia, Alex McKenna

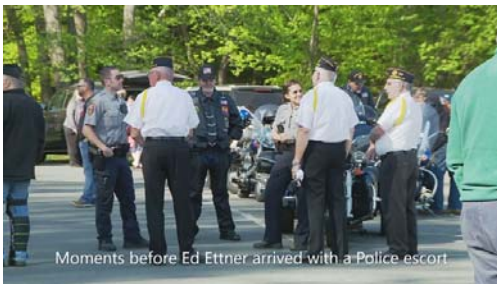


Pictured from left to right: Department Chaplain, Harold Sayles, Department Jr Vice, Geoffrey Lyster, Department Judge Advocate, Gary Adams, Department Commander Eric Mallett, Department Sr. Vice Butch Schupska, Department Adjutant Quartermaster, Ed Mann and Department Legislative Committee Chair Monti Zimmerman.



Veteran of three US wars surprised with a boat trip on his 100th birthday

by Jonathan Elias, ABC 7 News



Moments before Ed Ettner arrived with a Police escort

ARLINGTON, Va. (7News) — [April 20] It was just before 10 a.m. at Pohick Bay Regional Park in Fairfax County and nearly 100 people were gathered. Members of a veterans motorcycle club, local firefighters and first responders, and even a Color Guard from the neighboring VFW [and American Legion].

All were waiting for the arrival of Ed Ettner, a veteran of three wars, on his 100th birthday. Finally, he pulled up with a police escort to a round of applause. The crowd sang him happy birthday.

“It’s unbelievable, big surprise,” he said with a huge smile on his face. “It’s hard for me to soak it in. Feel good? Yeah, damn it.”



Then, another surprise. He was loaded on a custom-made boat by the organization Veterans Fishing Adventure, for a day on the lake. Not his first time on a boat. Ettner served in the Navy during World War II, Korea and Vietnam. Most of his time was actually spent below the surface, though, as a submarine commander.

He spent the afternoon smiling and saluting those around him.

“It’s hard to describe in words when people take the time and effort to come out and honor you, it’s awesome,” he said.

All of this was put together by Ed Moore, founder of the Veteran’s Fishing Adventure program, which takes veterans fishing to help heal their invisible wounds from war.

“It’s memories for a lifetime, however long that lifetime is,” Moore said.



Ed Moore / Founder Veterans Fishing Adventure

As they rounded the lake, Ettner was all smiles, enjoying being out on the water. He recounted some of the missions he was a part of during the three wars he fought in, talked about his late wife and children, and the life he’s had.

As the trip was wrapping up, Ettner said he wanted to be remembered as someone who “lived a good life, married a good woman, had good children, and did the job.”

“Whatever job they gave me I did it to the best of my ability,” he said, “and I think I did a lot of good for the country.”



D.C. Fire Boat Saluting 100 year old Ed Ettner, Veteran from 3 wars



Mr. Ettner saluting those who showed up to salute him on his 100th birthday.

PHOTOS BY JONATHAN ELIAS / ABC 7 NEWS

<https://wjla.com/features/7news-salutes/veteran-of-three-us-wars-surprised-with-a-boat-trip-on-his-100th-birthday>

(Auxiliary from page 2)

⇒ Chick-fil-A on June 29th & 30th at 9506 Liberia Ave, Manassas, VA (All day for both days)

Please come out and support the Auxiliary. Thank you.

The upcoming events that some of the members will be attending are:

⇒ The Department Convention from June 2-6 at the Renaissance Portsmouth-Norfolk Waterfront Hotel, 425 Water Street, Portsmouth, VA

⇒ The National Commander-in-Chief Hal Roesch's Homecoming on July 8-11 at the same hotel in Portsmouth.

⇒ The National Convention in Kansas City, MO from July 31-August 3 and will be a business session only.

The Auxiliary had their first face-to-face meeting in May and we will continue to meet at the Post every second Monday at 2:00pm. We will also have a teleconference during each

meeting. The information is as follows: 1) The Dial-in number: 1 717 275 8940, 2) Enter the Access Code: 4364446 followed by the # key, 3) Start conferencing! We would love to have you attend!!!

As the VFW 2020-2021 year comes to a close, I want to express my personal gratitude for the effort and extra time you have contributed to our mission of supporting the Veterans and their families regardless of the coronavirus. "Thank you" for always going above and beyond what is requested or expected.

I am saddened to inform you of the passing of two members who went to their heavenly home in May. Ms. Margaret Purtell on the 8th and Ms. Diane Victor Zalenski on the 12th. Please keep the families of Ms. Margaret and Ms. Diane's husband, Bob and family, in your prayers along with others who are facing medical issues. During these uncertain and challenging times, remember to stay safe and tell loved ones how much you care.

Respectfully,

Mary Corkhill
VFW Auxiliary President

Who invented charcoal briquettes?

On June 16, 1903, the Ford Motor Company was established. Henry Ford was the founder. This was not his first rodeo, as he had previously operated the Henry Ford Company. He left that company and took his name with him. What became of the Henry Ford Company? They became known as the Cadillac Motor Company.

What does any of this have to do with a BBQ grill? Hang on.

Ford's Model T, which would number in the millions sold, required 100 board feet of wood to build. Ford despised waste. His motto was, "Reduce, reuse, and recycle." He was also a nature-lover, an environmentalist of his time. His escape from the stress of life was camping in the great outdoors.

Frustrated by the mountains of sawdust his lumber mills created, he and his partners sought a way to utilize the scrap wood and sawdust into a useful (and profitable) product.

An idea came to him one day as he was camped with some friends in the wilds of Michigan. After his party spent a long time collecting sufficient wood for a campfire, an idea sprung in Ford's mind. Upon returning back to the lumber mill, he shared the idea with some of his partners and set to work on it.

The idea? Lumping a fistful of sawdust and cornstarch with a bit of tar to form a briquette. After charring it, it performed exactly what Ford imagined it would. He then built a charcoal briquette factory adjacent to his lumber mill where the waste from one became the fuel for the other.

A new Model T was now frequently sold with a bonus bag of Ford Charcoal Briquettes, so you could drive into the woods to



camp and not worry about finding campfire wood.

So now you know. Ford not only created the modern automobile industry which takes millions to work and back each workday, but he also created the weekend grilling and camping industries.

In 1951, the Ford Charcoal Briquette Company was sold. The new company was named after Ford's real estate partner who helped him find the land to supply wood for building the early Ford automobiles- E.J. Kingsford.

Kingsford Charcoal is the largest producer of charcoal briquettes in the world.

2020-21 Post Officers Elect

Commander	Wayne Moore
Senior Vice Commander	Lou Filippone
Junior Vice Commander	Bobby Knight
Quartermaster	Rick Raskin
Chaplain	Ron Knowles
1 Year Trustee	Tina Bliem
2 Year Trustee	Dave Mattingly
3 Year Trustee	Heidi BruMar
Adjutant	Ron Link
Service Officer	Ron Link
Judge Advocate	Bobby Knight
Surgeon	Alex Bliem



Post 7589 is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

VFW Members Only Please

Topic: Post 7589 Membership Meeting
Time: June 7, 2021 07:30 PM Eastern Time
Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86028767140?pwd=NDFIeVpJVkorL3JDUlFUOE4rZzdSQT09>

Meeting ID: 860 2876 7140

Passcode: 067589

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- +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)
- +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)
- +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

Meeting ID: 860 2876 7140

Passcode: 067589

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86028767140?pwd=NDFIeVpJVkorL3JDUlFUOE4rZzdSQT09>

The VFW National Home for Children



The VFW National Home for Children offers a once in a lifetime **opportunity** for military and veteran related families.

If you know of a family in your community that could use our help, please encourage them to call!

We are currently accepting new resident families into our program.

Most qualify to apply. Caring staff will help families to determine eligibility.

800-313-4200

A Great Place to Call Home!

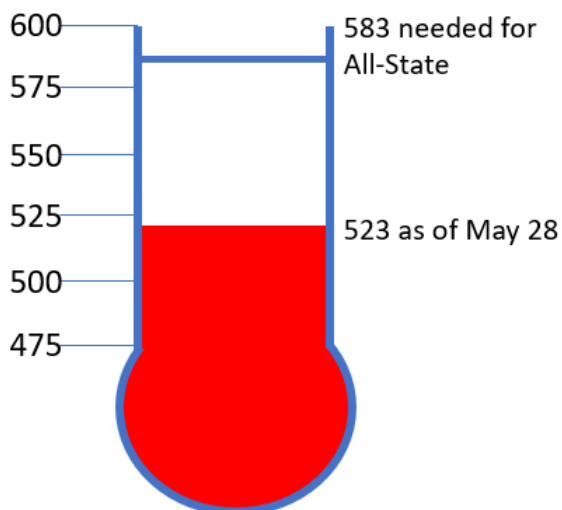
Virginia Department of Veterans Services Manassas Office

9300 W. Courthouse Rd.
Suite 305
703-479-7437

Upcoming Events

June 3-6	State Convention — Portsmouth, VA
June 7	Post Meeting — 7:30 PM — Video teleconference only
June 14	Auxiliary Meeting — 2 PM
June 17	Youth Committee — 7 PM — Video teleconference only
July 8—11	Hal Roesch’s Homecoming — Portsmouth, VA
July 12	Auxiliary Meeting — 2 PM Post Meeting — 7:30 PM — Optional video teleconference available
July 31—Aug. 3	National Convention — Kansas City, MO

Post Membership Statistics



PLEASE RENEW

KNOW YOUR VIRGINIA REPRESENTATIVE

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